



**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Appln No.: 09/735,141  
Filed: December 12, 2000  
First Named Inventor: James J. Fitzgibbon  
Title: Garage Door Operator Having Thumbprint Identification System  
Art Unit: 2635  
Examiner: Nicholas L. Linnenkamp  
Attorney Docket No.: 70333  
Customer No.: 22242

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

a. Previously submitted:

- ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Other:

b. Enclosed:

- ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☐ Other:

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2. Additional Items:

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (*Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required.*)
- ☒ A petition for extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ A return receipt postcard is enclosed.
- ☐ Other:
  
- ☐ Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.27).
- ☒ RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) without a claim of small entity status is: \$790.00.
- ☐ RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) by an entity claiming small entity status is: \$395.00.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge \$ 790.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. This sheet is filed in duplicate.

November 10, 2004

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